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Jose L. Linares
District Judge

Date of Birth: November 30, 1953
Education: Jersey City State 1975 BA; Temple 1978 JD
Began Service: December 3, 2002
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

Government: Supervising Attorney, Department of Investigation, City of New York, New York (1978-1980); Judge, Superior Court, County of Essex, New Jersey (2000-2002)

Legal Practice: Litigation Associate, Horowitz, Bross & Sininis (1980-1982); Partner, Linares & Seradzky, Esqs. (1982-1985); Senior Partner, Linares & Coviello, Esqs. (1985-1999); Senior Partner, Linares, Coviello & Santana, Esqs. (1999-2000)

Nonprofit: President, New Jersey Hispanic Bar Association

Current Memberships: American Bar Foundation, Fellow; Essex County Bar Association; Hispanic Bar Association; National Association of Trial Lawyers; New Jersey Association of Trial Lawyers; New Jersey State Bar Association

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Freda L. Wolfson
District Judge

Date of Birth: May 20, 1954
Education: Rutgers 1976 BA; Rutgers (Newark) 1979 JD
Began Service: December 4, 2002
Appointed By: President George W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey (1986-2002)

Legal Practice: Litigation Associate, Lowenstein, Sandler, Kohl, Fisher & Boylan (1979-1981); Litigation Associate, Clapp & Eisenberg (1981-1986)

Current Memberships: American Bar Foundation, Fellow; State Bar of New Jersey; Third Circuit Court of Appeals Bar

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Stanley S. Brotman
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1924
Education: Yale 1947 BA; Harvard 1950 LLB
Began Service: April 23, 1975
Appointed By: President Gerald Ford
Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Acting Chief Judge (temporarily designated), District Court of the Virgin Islands (1989-1992)

Legal Practice: Sole Practitioner (1952-1957); Partner, Shapiro, Brotman, Eisenstat & Capizola (1957-1975)

Military Service: United States Armed Services, Office of Strategic Services (1943-1945); Armed Forces Security Agency (1951-1952); Armed Forces Security Agency (1951-1952)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Association Judicial Immigration Education Project; American Bar Foundation; American Judicature Society; Association of the Federal Bar of the State of New Jersey; Cumberland County Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Harvard Law School Association of New Jersey; Legal Club of Philadelphia; New Jersey State Bar Association

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**Dickinson R. Debevoise**
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1924
Education: Williams 1948 AB;
Columbia 1951 LLB
Began Service: 1979
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Constitutional Law, Seton Hall University School of Law (1991-1994)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Phillip Forman, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey (1952-1953)

Legal Practice: Partner, Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Debevoise & Hyland (1953-1979)

Military Service: United States Army (1943-1945); United States Army (1951-1952)

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Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Law Institute; Federal Bar Association; New Jersey Bar Association

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Harold A. Ackerman
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1928
Education: Seton Hall 1948 BS; Rutgers (Newark) 1951 LLB
Began Service: 1979
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Government: Administrative Assistant to the Commissioner, United States Department of Labor and Industry (1956-1965)

Judicial: Judge, Compensation Court (1956-1965); Judge, Union County District Court (1965-1970); Judge, Union County Court (1970-1973); Judge, New Jersey Superior Court (1973-1979)

Legal Practice: Kapelsohn, Lerner, Leuchler & Reitman (1951-1954)

Military Service: United States Army (1946-1948)

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Education: Columbia 1995 JD
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Joseph H. Rodriguez
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1930
Education: La Salle 1955 AB; Rutgers (Camden) 1958 LLB, 1968 JD
Began Service: May 23, 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Academic: Chairman, State Board of Higher Education (1971-1973); Instructor, Rutgers University School of Law (1972-1982); Lecturer, University of Pennsylvania Law School (1989-1992); Instructor, Rutgers University School of Law (1993-1994)

Government: Chairman, State Commission of Investigation, State of New Jersey (1974-1979); Public Advocate and Public Defender, State of New Jersey (1982-1985)

Legal Practice: Partner, Brown, Connery, Kulp, Wille, Purnell & Greene (1959-1982)

Military Service: United States Army (1950-1952)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; International Society of Barristers; New Jersey State Bar Association

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Anne E. Thompson
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934
Education: Howard U 1955 BA; Temple 1957 MA; Howard U 1964 LLB
Began Service: 1979
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Government: Staff Attorney, Office of the Solicitor, United States Department of Labor (1964-1965); Assistant Deputy Public Defender, State of New Jersey (1967-1970); Municipal Prosecutor, Township of Lawrence, New Jersey (1970-1972); Prosecutor, Office of the County Prosecutor, County of Mercer, New Jersey (1975-1979)

Judicial: Judge, Trenton Municipal Court (1972-1975); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey (1994-2001)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1971-1975)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Mercer County Bar Association; New Jersey State Bar Association

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John C. Lifland
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1933
Education: Yale 1954 BA; Harvard 1957 LLB
Began Service: 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Government: Member, New Jersey State Board of Bar Examiners (1968-1977); Law Secretary, United States District Court for the District of New Jersey (1959-1961)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1957-1959); Stryker, Tams & Dill (1961-1988)

Military Service: United States Army (1958)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation; Essex County Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; New Jersey State Bar Association

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